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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**Re: Application No. 10/715,768 for a "High impact game ball construction method and device"**

Dear Sir:

Unfortunately, I must write you to express my dissatisfaction with the Patent Office's treatment of the patent application referenced above. The application was filed on November 18, 2003, and—with me being a man of 76 years of age—my patent attorney filed a petition to make the application special based on my age. However, it is now more than 3 and ½ years later, and the application has yet even to be considered by the Patent Office. I have filed many patent applications and have received multiple patents. This process is by far the most frustrating.

The Patent Office's delay in reaching my patent application—and patent applications of other inventors—has made filing for patent protection in the United States much less desirable. The creativity of present and future inventors is being stifled as a direct result of the painful inefficiencies of the current patent process.

Thank you for allowing me to express my sincere disappointment with the current procedures in the Patent Office.

It is my hope that my patent will not be granted to me posthumously, and any assistance you can give would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

Robert Gentile